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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. CYPRUS

A. CLERIDES-DENKTASH MEETING: FOLLOWING THE SEPTEMBER 6 MEETING BETWEEN THE TWO CYPRIOT LEADERS, A UN SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED THAT:

--BOTH SIDES WILL FOLLOW THE GENEVA CONVENTION ON PRISONERS OF WAR;

--LISTS OF PRISONERS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS;

--EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO RELEASE SICK AND OLD PRISONERS, TO LOCATE MISSING PERSONS, AND TO PROVIDE AID FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ISOLATED;

--THE NEXT MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 13.

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B. STATEMENTS BY ECEVIT: THE TURKISH PREMIER TOLD THE PRESS ON SEPTEMBER 6 THAT:

--TURKEY CAN BEGIN WITHDRAWING ITS INVASION FORCES IF THE UN ARRANGES SAFE PASSAGE FOR TURKISH CYPRIOTS FROM SOUTH TO NORTH.

--TURKEY IS NOT RESETTLING MAINLAND TURKS ON THE ISLAND.

--A US SUSPENSION OF AID WOULD NOT CHANGE GOT POLICIES TOWARDS CYPRUS.

C. MAVROS ALLUDES TO POSSIBLE FEDERAL SOLUTION: ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, MAVROS STATED IN PARIS ON SEPTEMBER 6 THAT HE DID NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF A FEDERAL REPUBLIC IN CYPRUS, BUT THAT GEOGRAPHIC PARTITION WAS UNTHINKABLE. (TICKER)

2. GREAT BRITAIN: HEATH'S PROSPECTS FOR SUCCESS IN THE SECOND GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN WERE FURTHER DIMMED THIS WEEK BY THE RETURN OF HIS "ARCH-NEMESIS" ENOCH POWELL, AND THE PUBLIC AIRING OF A POLICY SPLIT IN HIS SHADOW CABINET.

--THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF POWELL'S CANDIDACY REMOVES THE LAST HOPE OF A CONSERVATIVE-LIBERAL COALITION AND AUGURS BADLY FOR HEATH'S FUTURE AS PARTY LEADER.

--THE SPEECH OF HEATH'S SHADOW HOME SECRETARY, SIR KEITH JOSEPH, HIGHLIGHTS A DIVISION IN THE TORY LEADERSHIP OVER COPING WITH INFLATION.(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) LONDON 11462, 9/6.

3. FRANCE-EC: DESPITE ITS SUDDENNESS, THE FRENCH MOVE TO INVITE THE EC HEADS MUST HAVE BEEN COORDINATED DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS WITH AT LEAST THE GERMANS AND THE BRITISH. THE DINNER MEETING WILL SET THE STAGE BOTH FOR THE EC FINANCE MINISTERS' MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 16 AND THE LONG-ANNOUNCED EC "SUMMIT" LATER THIS YEAR. (TICKER)

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4. PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

A. THE TAIWAN PROBLEM: VICE FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUANHUA TOLD THE CODEL THAT THE US SHOULD:

--BREAK ALL FORMAL TIES WITH TAIWAN (PRESUMABLY INCLUDING THE US-ROC SECURITY TREATY);

--ABANDON ANY THOUGHTS OF GETTING A PRC COMMITMENT

NOT TO USE FORCE IN SETTLING THE TAIWAN QUESTION.

AT THE SAME TIME, CHIAO OFFERED:

--UP TO "A HUNDRED YEARS" BEFORE THE TAIWAN PROBLEM IS FINALLY SOLVED;

--THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A JAPANESE-STYLE "UNOFFICIAL" POST IN TAIPEI DURING THE INTERVENING PERIOD.

B. CHOU'S HEALTH: VICE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-P'ING TOLD THE CONGRESSIONAL GROUP THAT IT WOULD BE "IMPOSSIBLE" FOR PREMIER CHOU TO MEET THEM BECAUSE "HIS ILLNESS IS GRAVER NOW."

WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE SUGGESTING THAT CHOU HAS SUFFERED ANOTHER HEART SEIZURE AND CHINESE MEDIA HAVE SOUGHT TO CONVEY THE IMPRESSION THAT THE PREMIER, THOUGH AILING, IS STILL FUNCTIONING:

--TENG CAREFULLY NOTED THAT HE WAS ACTING "ON BEHALF OF" CHOU;

--THE CHINESE PRESS CARRIED SEVERAL MESSAGES FROM CHOU TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS; AND

--THE OFFICIAL PARTY PAPER PRINTED THE VISITING TOGOLESE PRESIDENT'S WISH FOR CHOU'S SPEEDY RECOVERY. (CONFIDENTIAL) PEKING 1530, 9/6.

5. ROMANIA VIEWS ON CSCE - THE HEAD OF THE ROMANIAN CSCE DELEGATION TOLD AMBASSADOR BARNES:
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--IF THE CONFERENCE DOES NOT CONCLUDE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR IT WILL RISK BEING TRANSFORMED INTO A PERMANENT FORUM.

--THE ROMANIANS WANT SOME SORT OF CONTINUITY MECHANISM TO INSURE MONITORING CONFERENCE DECISIONS.

--THE MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEMS WOULD BE THOSE OF MILITARY SECURITY WHERE THE SOVIETS POSED MORE OBSTACLES THAN THE US. (CONFIDENTIAL) BUCHAREST 4061, 9/6. KISSINGER

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